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1. The entire area within a five mile radius of the various Rumanian oil fields is now being closely guarded by Soviet troops. Only 27 percent of the nation's oil production is being apportioned for the domestic needs of Rumania; this is resulting in a great shortage of kerosene and gasoline. Most of the smaller villages that depend upon kerosene lamps for cooking and lighting are having blackouts at night.
2. The harbors of Galati and Sulina have been dredged to allow the entrance of larger vessels. Military vessels have not been observed in the harbor of Galati but there has been a large number of tankers and freighters loading timber and oil at this city.
3. Defensive measures (mining and placing of barb-wire entanglements) have been taken along the Rumanian side of the Danube along the Yugoslav frontier. The heaviest defenses are concentrated in the Turnu Severin area.

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